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For: INTEGRATED THIN FILM HEAD AND THE MANUFACTURING METHOD

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2003,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows. A  
petition and fee for a two-month extension of time accompanies  
this Reply.

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IN THE TITLE

Amend the title to read --INTEGRATED THIN FILM HEAD WITH  
MAGNETO-RESISTIVE SENSOR PREVENTING SHORT CIRCUIT BETWEEN THIN  
FILMS--

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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